AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listing of the claims in the present application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A shaping pulley assembly for a belt notching machine, including on a frame (1) a pair of pulleys (3, 4) carrying a grinding belt (5), the one of the pulleys (3, 4) being a driving pulley (3) for the grinding belt (5), and the other one being a shaping pulley (4) that is interchangeably mounted on the frame (1) to co-operate with the grinding belt (5) for forming differently sized recesses in tubular workpieces and/or solid sections, characterized in that the shaping pulley assembly comprises:

- a shaping pulley holder element (9) like a fork supported by the frame (1), having a C-shaped body with end brackets (90, 91), one (90) of which is provided with a housing (10) coaxial to another housing (11) in the other end bracket (91),

- a stationary centre (7) and a removable counter-centre (8), both being live centres which are housed in the respective said housings (10, 11) of stationary centre and removable counter-centre;

- an idle shaping pulley (4) in the form of a cylindrical roller, which is provided with centre holes (42, 43) opposite to each other for said fixed centre (7) and said removable counter-centre (8), respectively on the bases (40, 41) of the shaping pulley (4).

2. (original) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim 1, characterized in that retaining means is provided among said shaping pulley (4) and at least one of said centre (7) and said counter-centre (8).

3. (currently amended) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim [[1]] 2, characterized in that said retaining means is constituted by a pin (24).

4. (currently amended) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim [[1]] 2, characterized in that said retaining means is constituted by a spring charged ball (22).

5. (original) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim 1, characterized in that the live centre and counter centre (7, 8) include a frustoconical portion combined in its free end with a cylindrical portion (25) to be supported in corresponding centre holes (42, 43).

6. (original) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim 1, characterized in that both the centre and counter-centre (7, 8) have a small shaft (70; 80) to be supported by a pair of roller bearings (71, 72; 81, 82) which are retained on the small shaft (70; 80) and inside the respective centre and counter-centre housings (10; 11) by an abutment shoulder (12; 13) and an axially fit, spring retaining ring (14; 14).

7. (original) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim 1, characterized in that said removable counter-centre housing 11 is inserted in the form of a cylindrical element which is sliding mounted without rotation inside an externally threaded, hollow cylindrical enlargement (16) which is made on one (91) of said end brackets of the pulley holder element (9), an internally threaded cap (19) being screwed on said hollow cylindrical enlargement (16) in abutment with said sliding cylindrical element with coaxially interposed spring charge means (31).

8. (currently amended) The shaping pulley assembly according to claim [[1]] 7, characterized in that said spring charge means (31) are interposed between said cap (19) and an internal counter-cap (32), which is fixed in one side thereof to the said cylindrical element as housing (11) of the counter-centre (8) and connected in a sliding way to said cap (19).